

## INTERURBAN CRASHES KILL 3

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IN CONGRESS BY  
NEW ALIGNMENT

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## LAFOLLETTE SPOKESMAN

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About forty senators, representatives and members-elect, meeting behind closed doors in the senate agricultural committee room, adopted resolutions unanimously declaring their purpose "to drive special privilege out of control of government," and outlined a general program of liberal legislation.

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Clark and VanDetteicht Accommodated With Speedy Trial After Arrest.

Maurice Van Detticht, 21, and Fred Clark, 24, self-confessed bandits who held up two attendants at the Consumers' filling station Thanksgiving night and robbed the station of \$74 will start a 10 to 20 years sentence in the Indiana State Reformatory at Jeffersonville today. Following their arrest within 15 minutes after the holdup had been committed Thursday night, the pair admitted their guilt and expressed a desire for an immediate trial. Grand jury proceedings were waived and they were brought before Judge Walter A. Funk in the circuit court Friday. They pleaded guilty to the charge of highway robbery, and were sentenced to 10 to 20 years in the state reformatory, and also fined \$100.

Following the arrest of the two Thursday night Clark confessed to the police that he had been one of the two men who held up the Independent Tank Line's filling station at 19th st. and Michigan av. about three weeks when \$100 was secured. Van Detticht for a time maintained that he had nothing to do with this holdup, but later confessed that he had been with Clark at the time.

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SAYS DAUGHERTY  
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Rep. Keller Sets Forth Grounds on Which He Seeks Impeachment.

## 14 DISTINCT COUNTS

Would Summon Taft as Witness as Well as Other Prominent Individuals.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—(By A. P.)—Chief Justice Taft was named today in a statement to the house judiciary committee by Rep. Keller, Republican, Minnesota, as a witness to be called in support of his demand for the impeachment of Atty. Gen. Daugherty.

The chief justice was desired to testify, Mr. Keller wrote, in connection with his charge formally filed, that Atty. Gen. Daugherty had appointed "untrustworthy, corrupt and dangerous men" to high office, knowing at the time they were men of such character.

George W. Wickersham, former attorney general, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, and Guy Oyster, Mr. Gompers' secretary, also were mentioned by Mr. Keller as other witnesses he would ask the committee to summon as to this particular allegation.

Regarding the committee request that he give the names of all persons who could testify to any of the charges on which he based a demand for impeachment, Mr. Keller wrote that he would not comply except in certain particulars as he and his advisors regard as safe.

Setting forth 14 specific grounds for impeachment, Mr. Keller alleged Mr. Daugherty had practiced "fraud and deceit on Mr. Taft" while president to obtain the release from prison of Charles W. Morse and that on Morse's failure to pay Daugherty's associates in the pardon proceedings an agreed fee, he "prostituted" the office of attorney general for "personal revenge" by securing an indictment of Morse.

In his letter to Chairman Volstead of the judiciary committee, Mr. Keller said the specifications he enclosed "set out and I am prepared to prove that the said Daugherty is guilty of serious misconduct in office, highly prejudicial to the public interest; of grave abuse of his discretionary powers; of willful and repeated violations of his oath of office and of high crimes and misdemeanors, and punishable violations of the 14 paragraphs, each of which is supported by numerous instances."

Anti-trust Enforcement  
"If any of these 14 specifications against the said Harry M. Daugherty be said to be more important than any other," said Mr. Keller, "it is that group of specifications that relates to the refusal and neglect of the said Harry M. Daugherty to enforce the anti-trust laws of the United States of America."

One "A" willful and deliberate attempt to paralyze and destroy the efforts and activities of the federal trade commission in its attempts to suppress and punish violations of the anti-trust laws; by continued and deliberate refusal to prosecute such violations.

Two "A" willful and deliberate refusal to prosecute the violations of the anti-trust laws that were called to his attention.

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Telephone Expert Raps Utility at Indianapolis Hearing on Rates.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 1.—(By A. P.)—Independent telephone companies at LaCrosse, Wis., Connersville, Ind., and Warren, Ohio, are operating exchanges far superior to those maintained by the Indiana Bell Telephone company and at a considerable saving, according to the testimony of Munson D. Atwater, telephone expert, at the public service commission's state-wide investigation into telephone rates.

Atwater's testimony was a continuation of evidence produced by the commission to offset the contention of the Indiana Bell company and its parent company, the American Telephone and Telegraph company, that most modern perfection in the art of telephony have been accomplished by engineers of the latter organization and passed on to its associated companies.

Mr. Atwater estimated that by using switchboards of the type developed by the independent companies he mentioned, the Indiana Bell could effect a saving of at least 25 percent in traffic expense at all of its exchanges in the state.

The switchboards used at present could be converted into the newer type, he said, within four months by the Indiana Bell's engineers.

Rehabilitation of the Indianapolis switchboard might require six months, he said.

Counsel for the commission questioned Mr. Atwater throughout the day regarding the part independent companies have had in perfecting the telephone and telegraph equipment. An apparent effort is being made to refute the contention of the A. T. & T. that it is entitled to 4 to 12 percent of the gross revenue of the Indiana Bell company as rental for telephone instruments and for services rendered in perfecting the telephone art.

Mr. Atwater's testimony was interrupted this evening by an adjournment of the hearing until next Monday afternoon.

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Rescue Ship Saves Nine Others—Captain Sticks by His Doomed Vessel.

HOUGHTON, Mich., Dec. 1.—(By A. P.)—Eleven men, members of the crew of the Canadian steamer Maplehurst, lost their lives early this morning when the vessel foundered near the upper, or canal entrance, of the Keweenaw waterway. Nine others were saved by Capt. Charles A. Tucker and members of the crew of the coast guard station at the canal.

Not a single life would have been lost, Capt. Tucker declared, if the men on the doomed steamer had acted promptly and jumped into the coast guard power boat when he told them to, as he brought it alongside the Maplehurst. In fact, Capt. Tucker said his frail craft, alongside the Maplehurst and every man aboard had a chance to get off. Ten out of the 20 on board, jumped. First Mate Henry J. Smith raised the lifeboat and went to his death in the lake. The wife and child who jumped were saved, while the ten who remained on the Maplehurst perished.